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Items of Interest Locally

F. L. Smith is in town this week on a business visit.

Nicholson & Switzer for food and poultry supplies.

For the choicest candies, made in Lacombe, go to the Lacombe Candy Kitchen.

Mrs. B. H. Ingalls left on Tuesday for the coast cities, where she will visit friends.

It will pay you to buy your flour from Nicholson & Switzer.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Joslyn, of Lamont, are here for a few days' visit with Mr. Joslyn's sister, Mrs. A. M. Campbell.

Chas. Watkins returned on Monday from California, where he has been enjoying the climate for several weeks past.

D. Cameron is now showing a full line of "Style-Crab" spring and summer patterns and styles, priced from \$24.00.

For best values in groceries go to Nicholson & Switzer.

Married at the Methodist parsonage, Lacombe, on January 30, Charles E. Gundiff, of Lethbridge, and Nellie Lacombe, of Texas.

Miss Hinchey left for her home in Los Angeles, California, after spending several months here with her aunt, Mrs. A. M. Campbell.

We have had Savoy Sutherland Hair Tonic analyzed and find it perfectly harmless to the hair, but very beneficial to the scalp—City Pharmacy.

There was a very large attendance at the Assembly Club's ball on Thursday night. A considerable number of visitors from Red Deer were present.

The Rex orchestra will give a social dance in Bowler's Hall on Friday night, February 20. The admission is placed at \$1.00; ladies free. All are cordially invited.

On Saturday last there were just two nominations for the vacancies on the council board, Messrs. Lothian and Vickers, hence those gentlemen were declared elected by acclamation.

A ten cent tea and sale of home made baking will be held at the home of Mrs. A. Stanley Stewart on Saturday, February 21st, from three to six o'clock. The ladies of the Presbyterian congregation are requested to send in home made baking for the same.

As an indication of what may be expected for Gull Lake this coming season, we would mention the fact that there is already an active demand for cottages at the Lake, and some cottages have already been rented for the available portion of the season. With the completion of the electric railway as far as the Lake early in the summer, this already famous summer resort will develop with a rapidity that will surprise many people. There is no finer lake in the west.

All those who have tried the Seven Sutherland Sisters Hair Tonic have been pleased with it. We are keeping a full line—City Pharmacy.

Miss Essie Homer left on Monday for Edmonton. Miss Homer has given up teaching for a year and intends taking a business course in the Alberta College.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Vickers entertained a jolly party at five hundred on Monday evening. Mrs. Thibault won the first prize for ladies and Mr. Parker for gentlemen.

Mr. and Mrs. M. B. McDonald entertained a jolly party at five hundred on Monday evening. Mrs. A. Stanley Stewart won the first prize for ladies, and C. R. Denike the first prize for gentlemen. Miss Hinchey and Mr. Peters were awarded the booby prizes. Vocal and instrumental music during the evening added enjoyment to the occasion, and everyone had a delightful time.

The Stranger Within Our Gates is the subject for a lantern lecture which will be given next Monday evening, February 16, in the Methodist church. The slides have been loaned from Toronto by Rev. E. H. Winfield, of Bentley, who will show the pictures. Rev. E. T. Strang will give the lecture, explaining them, which announcement ensures an enjoyable evening for all who attend. Admission 10c.

Col. W. A. Stewart, late of Urbana, Ohio, has this week come to Lacombe to make his home here. Col. Stewart is an auctioneer of many years experience and has called all kinds of public sales with marked success. As an auctioneer of bankrupt stocks of merchandise he has established a record that few auctioneers have equalled. The Colonel has decided to hang out his shingle at Lacombe as a general Auctioneer.

On Thursday, the 19th, the Rev. O. Croighton, M.A., will lecture on the Holy Land in St. Cyril's church. The lecture will be illustrated by seventy beautiful photographs of Jerusalem and the surrounding country. As Mr. Croighton has ridden all through the country, the lecture will be very interesting. Instead of the charge of 25c for adults and 10c for children, a collection will be taken up, and it is hoped similar amounts will be contributed in that way. The lecture begins at 8 p.m.

On Saturday last, Frank McLean's bowling team visited Edmonton and participated in six games at the Olympic alley, winning three out of the six games, and making the northern bowlers sit up and take notice. When it is taken into consideration that they were playing against strong teams, and against a fresh team every game, the showing is remarkable. And it was only by a hair's breadth that they missed making the score four games out of the six. The Lacombe bowlers on the team were: McLean, Sharran, Miller, Taylor and Sage. The Edmonton bowlers have arranged to visit Lacombe on Saturday night this week and meet the Lacombe men on the Athletic alley. An interesting match is looked for.

Momentous Session of Parliament

London, Feb. 10.—King (George) with the customary ceremonial, today opened the momentous and historical session of parliament, which, according to all probability, will see the glorious conclusion of the thirty years' struggle of the Liberal party to give self-government to Ireland. The Home Rule bill which is now to be presented in the house of commons for the third time will, if carried, repeal the royal assent, with or without the consent of the house of lords.

Whether the bill will pass or it stands or whether it will be amended to meet the susceptibilities of Ulster, will depend on the nature of the concessions which the prime minister announced he would make in behalf of the government at the proper time. The king's speech in a grave passage expressed the earnest desire of His Majesty to attain a settlement by consent, and this desire was frequently echoed by Premier Asquith in the house of commons and Viscount Morley in the house of lords, in their opening speeches.

The session in the lords was brilliant in the extreme, and in the commons discussion. The appearance of the assembly gave no indication of the passionate struggle in the opposing sides, or that the session would be a momentous one leading to events little short of civil war.

Despite the conciliatory tone of both Premier Asquith and Lord Morley, small hope was felt in the lobby of parliament tonight that the settlement of the home rule question would be reached by consent. The ministers' attitude clearly shows that the government will neither consent to an appeal to the country nor accept a solution based on the exclusion of Ulster from the operations of the bill.

The Right Hon. Austen Chamberlain just as clearly indicated that the opposition will accept nothing less than the exclusion of Ulster, unless the government agree to an appeal to the country. He declared in his speech in the commons that the exclusion of Ulster was the only possible basis for a settlement by agreement, and that it would be useless for the government to offer less. Clashes were certain if Ulster was excluded.

It is evident, however, that the crisis which has been threatening has been postponed for several weeks.

Cheaper Money

A British financial authority writing upon the present situation says: Although stock market quotations show little sign of any general advance—indeed if anything the tendency is still the other way so far as Canadian securities are concerned—there are some evidences that the financial position is becoming easier. In the first place the bank rate, which for months past has re-

mained at 5 per cent., has been decreased to 4 1/2 per cent. within the last few days. This all-important index as to financial tension is not rendered without good reason, and therefore the action of the government of the Bank of England is a comforting reassurance that those who are best placed to judge and the outlook favorable. In some quarters it is being pointed out that in the past a change of one-half per cent. in the rate has often been only the cautious precursor of a full one per cent. alteration, and the belief is held that a further decrease to 4 per cent. may not be long delayed. In this connection one may remember cheerfully that a decrease of the rate is not only an indication, but also a cause of ease.

As is usual at this season, many financial houses have issued to their clients reviews of the past year. In such a review, the London office of the Credit Lyonnais remarks that the attitude of hesitancy which has been adopted by the public for months past must have resulted in the accumulation in one form or another of an important disposable reserve. Further, it is urged that the slackening of business should set free a considerable sum of recent commercial profits, and this should undoubtedly tend to improve the position of high-class securities. Speaking of the future, the same review points out that 1914 inherits the financial embarrassments "accumulated by fifteen years of war and of general depression, with occasional crises in certain Latin-American countries." The Eastern European situation also remains as an unsettling factor. "This reason alone," proceeds the review, "should induce a conservative view as to the future, but furthermore the enormous amounts of money which will be demanded from the saving classes ought also to be taken into consideration. With these conditions the best that one can expect from the immediate future is a period of calm and consolidation which should prompt the economic world to efface little by little the unfavorable influences disclosed in the history of the past year."

About the Friendship of Botha

The Toronto Star is inquisitive. Because The Herald said of Premier Botha, of South Africa, that from being a bitter enemy he had become a warm friend, the Toronto paper asks, "warm friend to whom?"

We submit that in bringing the recent strike in South Africa to a speedy end and in handling the leaders of the strike movement as he did, Premier Botha proved himself a warm friend of law and order and constituted authority, without full recognition of which by its people the British nation would not today occupy its position of pre-eminence in the world.

South Africa is a long distance away and essential detail in connection with this strike has been more or less missed in the cables. But we know enough, however, to feel sure that Premier Botha acted as he did because he felt confident any less vigorous measures would have increased rather than lessened the trouble.

Among the men whom he sent to England on a long holiday trip were persons who, on a previous strike occasion, had held a gun at his ribs, thus forcing a settlement by concessions. Evidently the premier concluded when they came at him again that it was time to have a showdown, and determine just who was governing the country—men selected by the people for that purpose or a band of irresponsible.

South Africa has self government, wisely or otherwise as it happens to strike you. Under that system of self government the people select their own legislators and administrators. If the sort of government the people get is not to their liking it is their privilege to change it, via the ballot-box route. Leaders in the recent strike movement, were virtually heading a rebellion and seeking to take control of government by other means than the ballot. Botha was a warm friend of law and order to prevent this, for which he is deserving of thanks.

There will be a general election in South Africa before long, and in that election Botha will be judged by the people. No doubt an important factor in the election fight will be the government's attitude in the recent strike situation. It is possible, though not likely, that Africans will have cause to be grateful to him for having safeguarded to them the privilege of expressing their views in the only way sanctioned as legitimate under the British constitution.

To Abolish Capital Punishment

A Montreal federal member has introduced a bill for the abolition of capital punishment in Canada, on the grounds of humanitarianism.

There has for many years been a growing feeling in favor of a measure of this kind across the Atlantic, because hanging seems to have failed to exercise a preventive effect, and to this contention is added a strong disinclination to demand "a life for a life," lest some innocent person might become the victim of the system.

The contention that as education advanced capital crimes would diminish has not yet been found to hold water, for many of the most atrocious murders that have sullied criminal annals have been perpetrated by men highly educated, who have used their superior knowledge to carry out their foul crimes on scientific principles.

In place of hanging, if anything could be devised to act as a successful deterrent to premeditated murders it would be a term of imprisonment, with the indiction periodically of a liberal number of lashes, for it is undeniable that such crimes as robbery with violence, outrages on young girls, and the like have diminished since the addition of several floggings has been made to a tolerably short period of imprisonment considering the enormity of the offence.

Any bill for the abolition of hanging should contain an alternative punishment for capital offences, so that parliament may, if it chooses to abolish the former, not leave the statute books devoid of another remedy that it likely to prove effective.

"Graustark" Comes February 14

The perennial favorite, "Graustark," after four years of unprecedented success, will delight lovers of romance with George Barr McCutcheon's fable of royal folks, love and beauty, on Saturday Evening, Feb. 14, at the Comet Theatre.

The enthusiasm which the presentation of this great book-play continues to arouse demonstrates that Miss Grace Hayward's dramatization of Mr. McCutcheon's novel continues its hold on the affections of old friends, besides continually creating an army of new ones.

No romance of recent years has struck a more responsive chord in the hearts of American theatregoers and that its worth has not been overestimated is best proved by the enormous attendance around this artistic creation wherever presented. It is claimed, and rightfully so, that Graustark has played to more people and reaped a greater harvest for its owners than any other dramatic offering, its continuous prosperity being accounted for by the winning merit of the presentation, the United Play Co. its sponsors, being aware to the fact that Mr. McCutcheon's operations are worthy a leading cast and sumptuous stagings, each scene finding its predecessor outdone and the newer building an edifice of artistic value bordering on extravagance.

This season's program brings recollections of "The Third Degree" and "The Lion and the Mouse," insofar as the Ariadne of the historic personnel is concerned, for Miss Gertrude Ritchie, whose clever work in those plays has been commended by press and public throughout the country, is the bright, particular star of Graustark, her rendition of Princess Yvonne being praised and applauded beyond the anticipations of all concerned. And Miss Ritchie's personality serves her well in the trying role, her beauty, dignity and carriage being perfectly fitted to the royal robes and surroundings of the distinguished character. This is the same big cast and production seen in Winnipeg, Calgary, Edmonton, Regina, etc.

BIRTHS

Eggen—At Blackfalds, on Wednesday, February 4, to Mr. and Mrs. John B. Eggen, a daughter.
Cory—At Gull Lake, on Wednesday, February 4, to Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Cory, a son.
Corruthers—At Lacombe, Thursday, February 5, to Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Corruthers, a son.
Hodgson—At Lacombe, on Saturday, February 7, to Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Hodgson, a daughter.

The dates secured by the Lacombe Agricultural Society for "Carnegie" exhibition this year are August 26, 27 and 28. The chances for favorable weather are surely much better at that time than late in the fall, when the fairs have been held in recent years.

DON'T HAVE RHEUMATISM

Oh! Oh! Pills Now
Mr. Brown will not be surprised if he says "I should have great pleasure in recommending this great relief I have obtained from the use of Oh! Oh! Pills. I feel that I am a better man than I was before I took them." It is a fact that Oh! Oh! Pills are the only medicine that can be taken without any harm to the system. It is a fact that Oh! Oh! Pills are the only medicine that can be taken without any harm to the system. It is a fact that Oh! Oh! Pills are the only medicine that can be taken without any harm to the system.



MINCE MEAT
Cholesterol free, etc., perfectly balanced—ready to use.
Save endless labor.

One quality—the best.
In glass or can.

DEATH AND HEALTH TO MOTHER AND CHILD.
Mrs. Williams' experience. Every mother who has a child should read this. It is a story of a mother who was almost killed by a child who was almost killed by a mother. It is a story of a mother who was almost killed by a child who was almost killed by a mother.

RAW FURS
We Buy Highest Values
Write for Price List
and Shipping Tags
Fierce Fur Co. Ltd.
Largest and Most Complete Fur Company in Canada

THE THERAPIST
The only book that tells you how to cure every disease. It is a book that tells you how to cure every disease. It is a book that tells you how to cure every disease. It is a book that tells you how to cure every disease.

PALMISTRY
Your future in your palm. This is a book that tells you how to read the lines on your palm. It is a book that tells you how to read the lines on your palm. It is a book that tells you how to read the lines on your palm.

Did She Do It?
A woman was discussing the English language with a friend. She was discussing the English language with a friend. She was discussing the English language with a friend. She was discussing the English language with a friend.

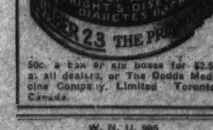
They Misunderstood
A man who did not understand very clearly was present on the first night of a very badly written and worse-acted play. A man who did not understand very clearly was present on the first night of a very badly written and worse-acted play.

What in the world did you tell the author for asking a friend of the man?
I didn't. You misunderstood. I was telling for other.

Wise mothers who know the virtues of Mother's Own Wash
Mother's Own Wash is a wash that is used by mothers all over the world. It is a wash that is used by mothers all over the world. It is a wash that is used by mothers all over the world.

Every Moment Counted
Ellis Root was cross-examining a young woman in court one day. He was cross-examining a young woman in court one day. He was cross-examining a young woman in court one day.

Widowed
John—Weak things united become strong.
Miss Farts—Why don't you marry?



DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS
For all kidney diseases. It is a medicine that is used by people all over the world. It is a medicine that is used by people all over the world. It is a medicine that is used by people all over the world.

WESTERN CANADA

The Country That Has All the Wonders
It is a fact that the west is a land of wonders. It is a land of wonders. It is a land of wonders. It is a land of wonders. It is a land of wonders.

THE TROUBLES OF RHEUMATISM
are aggravated during climatic changes because the impure blood is incapable of resistance and ordinary treatment seems useless—but the fame of Scott's Emulsion for relieving rheumatism is based on logical principles and scientific facts. This oil-food promptly makes active, red, life-sustaining blood corpuscles and its body-building properties regulate the functions to expel poisonous acids.

Scott's Emulsion, with careful diet for one month, will relieve the lame muscles and stiffened joints and subside the unbearable sharp pains when other remedies fail.

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TWO REASONS FOR NOT REPORTING

General Nelson A. Miles during active service, and day after day, a letter from a soldier who was a soldier in the army. It is a letter from a soldier who was a soldier in the army. It is a letter from a soldier who was a soldier in the army.

THE ONE WHO DID THE BEST JOB
A certain earnest student in a small college suffered from obesity and it appeared that even college professors did not love a fat man. One day, after a particularly unimpressive recitation in mathematics, the instructor said scornfully: "Well, Mr. Blank, you are better fed than taught."

Maintaining a Microbe
A country school-teacher was calling her monthly check at the bank. The teller apologized for the dirty condition of the bills, saying: "I hope you are not afraid of microbes."

It's Virtue Cannot Be Described
No one can explain the subtle power that Dr. Thompson's Electric Oil possesses. The original name was, himself, surprised by the wonderful qualities that his compound possessed. That he was the best doctor of humanity, shown by the miracles that rise in praise of this wonderful oil. So he called it "Electric Oil." It is a household medicine everywhere.

Parading Her Memory
Thompson's Electric Oil carries her back to her childhood. It is a memory of her childhood. It is a memory of her childhood. It is a memory of her childhood.

He's Idea of It
George Washington, read the small story from his history, was born February 22, 1732 A.D.

Now She's Much Younger
Willard—Do you know Miss Outley too?
Ernie—Yes. We used to be the best of friends. We were the best of friends.

Has Their Number
Indignant, partly—Hello, General. Can you suggest the wrong number to call in order to get at 4360 Franklin?

Could Think Only of One Kind
The young father was rejoicing slightly over the address of his first son. He was rejoicing slightly over the address of his first son. He was rejoicing slightly over the address of his first son.

Did You Get the Mocha with the Mocha Balls?
The small boy recommended: "Take the mocha."

No! I Didn't
The customer took indignantly. I said to all night and didn't buy a single mocha.

Hydrogen—Didn't I Look Like a Fool When I Was at the Altar Last?
Best Man—No, but any one could see that you were not yourself.

THE SINK OF OMISION
Now, said the clergyman in the Sunday school class, can any of you tell me what are the sins of omission?

Why are you here, my poor friend?
asked the minister who was visiting the prison.

Na-Dru-Co Headache Wraps

Certainly do make short work of headaches. 25¢ per box.

EDDY'S
"3 in 1" and "3 in 1"
Washboards

THE VIRTUE OF THE LAXATIVE
The virtue of the laxative is to make the bowels move. It is a virtue that is used by people all over the world. It is a virtue that is used by people all over the world.

Where is Whereabouts
Where is Whereabouts? asked the high school teacher. He was asking the high school teacher. He was asking the high school teacher.

One Way Out
Repeat the words the defendant in a case of slander. He was repeating the words the defendant in a case of slander. He was repeating the words the defendant in a case of slander.

Where the Punishment Fits the Crime
Justice David J. Brewer was once asked: "What is the extreme penalty for a crime?" He was asked: "What is the extreme penalty for a crime?" He was asked: "What is the extreme penalty for a crime?"

It Looked like the end of an effort in rhyme
He'd been stuck for an hour for a rhyme. He was stuck for an hour for a rhyme. He was stuck for an hour for a rhyme.

Efficiency
Our boss is a crank on efficiency. He was a crank on efficiency. He was a crank on efficiency.

Nine Point in Her Favor
The lovely girl, having lingered a minute in her room to adjust her transformation, changed the hands of her Greidan hand and made sure that her skirt fitted like the palm of a plum.

Why, Mabel, the young lady exclaimed, aren't you ashamed of yourself?
Oh, right down. He was right down. He was right down.

Na-Dru-Co Laxatives
are especially good for children because they are pleasant to take, gentle in action, do not irritate the bowels nor develop a need for continual or increased doses. 25¢ a box, at your Druggist's.

Canada Portland Cement
SOME men ask for so many bags of "cement". Others, more careful, say they want "Portland Cement".

But the man who does the best work insists upon getting "Canada" Portland Cement.

And he looks to see that every bag bears this label

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"HIS MASTER'S VOICE"

Proofs of the ready head which is given by the "Big Interest" government to the will of the combine and of the mergers continue to multiply. The latest evidence is found in the government's course in connection with the regulations prohibiting the export of sockeye salmon from British Columbia. These facts, brought out in the Commons a few days ago by J. H. Sinclair, the Liberal member for Greyburn, N. B., establish clearly that when the word was spoken by the British Columbia cannery combine and the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, the Government refused to come to the aid of the fishermen against the monopoly of the packers, while at the same time the Minister of Fisheries, Hon. J. D. Hazen, had promised such action, and had actually declared in the Commons that the desired relief had been granted.

In the days of the former Conservative Government a regulation was passed prohibiting the export of sockeye salmon from British Columbia waters. The fishermen must sell their catch in British Columbia or not at all. Protests against the regulation were made on many occasions by the fishermen and by those who spoke for them. In the session of 1912 these protests were renewed by Conservative members from British Columbia. They condemned the regulation in strong terms. They declared that it operated against the fishermen and operated unfairly in the interests of the cannery who were now united in one large association.

Hon. Mr. Hazen, Minister of Marine and Fisheries, joined in the discussion. He denounced the regulation in vigorous sentences. He expressed surprise that it could be in force. And then, amid the cheers of his supporters, he made this announcement: "On Saturday last I had that regulation repealed."

What happened? A day or so after Mr. Hazen announced that the regulation had been repealed, a telegram came to him from Mr. W. D. Burdick, secretary of the British Columbia Salmon Cannery Association. In that telegram the association entered "their earnest protest against the removal of the restriction." Within a few days another telegram of protest was forwarded by the cannery, this one to Premier Borden, and the Government was urged to take no action until a deputation of cannery could interview the Ministers. Test these protests should not serve their purpose the aid of the Manufacturers' Association was called in by the combine and a telegram urging the retention of the regulation pending a thorough investigation by experts was sent to Mr. Hazen by the Advisory Committee of the manufacturers' organization.

This was sufficient for the Government. The regulation was retained in force. It is in force today.

The regulation had been denounced by supporters of the government as unfair and unjust, as a restriction which placed the British Columbia fisherman at the mercy of a combine in which they must sell at whatever prices the combine was graciously pleased to pay or

else must throw their fish back into the water or upon the shore to rot. The regulation had been denounced by the Minister of Marine and Fisheries himself and its repeal announced.

But when the combine spoke the government listened. The combine said that the regulation must not be repealed. The Manufacturers' Association said that the regulation must not be repealed. They spoke and the Government obeyed. The will of the combine was law to the Ministers. So it has been since Mr. Borden took office; so it will be until his Government is replaced by one which puts the interests of the people first.

"SUFFICIENT" REASONS

Hon. Robert Rogers, Minister of Public Works, and chief western representative in the Cabinet, speaking on behalf of the government in connection with the fresh wheat resolution introduced in the House recently by Dr. Neely, member for Humboldt, declared that better, and sounder reasons would have to be advanced "before it would be wise for the government to deal with any tariff change, which would effect such important industries as those referred to." The important industries referred to were those of farming and milling.

The government's unctuous desire for further reasons, before undertaking to comply with the Liberal demand that the farmer be given access to the American market for his wheat, is obviously due either to almost incredible obtuseness or is else simply a subterfuge to excuse inaction. The demand for free wheat has been backed up by irrefutable argument and by uncontroverted facts and figures. No government apologist has made any serious attempt to advance sound reasons why the demand should not be granted. The "insufficient" reasons advanced for the removal of the duties on wheat and flour are overwhelmingly conclusive. They may be summarized as follows from the speeches made in the Commons:

1. The wheat growers as a body desire their removal and have memorialized the government to that effect.
2. The Legislatures of the provinces most affected, including the Conservatives led by Sir Edmund Roblin, favor their removal.
3. The western grain grower needs another market which is offered close at hand, to absorb the enormous surplus left after the demand of the local market and Great Britain has been supplied.
4. There is no entangling treaty or pact involved in the action necessary to give this market to the farmer.
5. The retention of the present duties, constitutes the imposition by Canada of an export duty on wheat, the revenue from which cannot go to the Dominion treasury.
6. The removal of the duty need not disturb any other existing schedules of the tariff.
7. The throwing open of the American wheat market will be a factor in lowering freight rates, as it will place the Canadian railways in competition with the American lines, on which rates are at present lower.
8. The removal of the duties on wheat will not disturb the milling industry of Canada, which has al-

ready proven that it is able to compete successfully with American flour on the general markets of the world. The opening of the American market should rather act as a stimulus.

9. The stimulation of the Canadian milling industry would encourage mixed farming.

10. It would increase the value of his wheat to the farmer, and at the same time benefit the consumer. It has been shown that while the price of flour on the Chicago market is lower than in Winnipeg, the price of wheat is higher.

11. It would increase the present low margin of profit to the farmer, who under present conditions is compelled to throw the bulk of his crop on the market before the close of navigation thus causing prices to drop at the time he has grain to sell. An additional market would be available after the close of navigation.

12. Any increase in the farmer's profits would be of advantage to the eastern manufacturer, who depends for the sale of his articles upon the prosperity of the farmer.

The above are some of the "reasons" so far given, and proven to be economically sound. It would seem to be difficult to conjecture what further "reasons" the government requires. Perhaps, however, Mr. Rogers was referring to the reasons which most move the government—the reasons which have to do with campaign fund contributions from the big interests who do not want their monopoly disturbed.

PENSIONS AND POLITICS

When the Act was passed by Parliament in 1912, authorizing a bounty of \$100 each to Ex-Service men, the Minister of Militia stated in the House that the estimated number to be paid was at most between 8,000 and 10,000. In the Auditor-General's report, tabled in the Commons last week, Auditor General Fraser makes this significant statement: "Up to the 12th of December, 1913, 15,856 warrants had been issued, amounting to \$1,585,600, or \$685,900 above the highest estimate."

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The Conservative attitude in regard to the necessity of tariff protection all around as a pecuniary policy and in regard to lavish expenditure of public money has been fairly well indicated by Government speakers and Government newspapers in recent weeks. It remained for Donald Nicholson, Conservative member for Quebec, P. E. I., however, to state that attitude frankly and even bluntly when he spoke in the debate on the Address in the Commons a few days ago.

"What is the use of proclaiming in favor of protection if we don't stand for it," he exclaimed, and approving Government charges. "We should have subsidies for shipbuilding and bounties for copper mining and other related industries. We don't want any reduction in debt. Dash away and spend the money."

There we have the attitude of the Government and its supporters expressed in a very few words.

Elected with the unstinted assistance of the Big Interests on the policy of High Protection the Government steadfastly adhere to the idea that there must be no lessening of the tariff burdens upon the people. If there are any important tariff changes, they hold, it must be in the way of tariff revision upwards. That is the idea Mr. Nicholson had in mind. It was the expression of that idea which brought applause from his fellow Conservatives. The soundness and the mergers, which profit through protection at the expense of the workingmen of the farmers, the fishermen and of the other every-day citizen of Canada, insist that there shall be no tariff reduction, and the Government accepts their will as law. To quote the words of Hon. Mr. Pallot, Protection is to them "a sacred principle." From such a party the people of the Dominion can expect no relief in the way of a lessening of tariff taxation.

The other outstanding characteristic of the present Ministry is extravagance and recklessness in the expenditure of public money. Mr. Borden and his colleagues spend prodigally and wastefully. Hundreds of thousands of dollars are squandered on works of doubtful public benefit though with a constant eye to party advantage. Witness the practical doubling of national expenditures since the advent of the new Administration.

The present is a time of financial stringency in Canada. The revenues of the country are falling steadily and rapidly. The credit of the Dominion has been impaired, a fact shown by Hon. Mr. White's recent experience when he sought to float another large loan in London. The situation has become serious.

Under the circumstances there

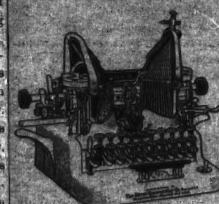
should be caution. There is waste and recklessness, features of the fact that the present expenditure is prodigious Canada's future. The Ministers are saving the wind and the people will reap the whirlwind in more oppressive tariff burdens, increased interest charges, and in the conditions which must follow from impaired national credit and the waste of national wealth.

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